

CLAIMS

1. A hair-conditioning composition comprising
 - a) 60% by weight or more of water,
 - b) from 0.1 to 10% by weight of alkyl trimethylammonium salt wherein the alkyl group is selected from C₁₆ to C₂₂ saturated alkyl chains and mixtures thereof,
 - c) from 0.02 to 5% by weight of dialkoylethyl dimethylammonium salt wherein the alkyl chains are selected from C₁₆ to C₂₂ saturated or unsaturated alkyl chains and mixtures thereof,
 - d) from 0.5 to 10% by weight of a fatty material, comprising from 12 to 22 carbon atoms, selected from the group consisting of fatty alcohols, fatty acids, alkoxyolated fatty alcohols and mixtures thereof, and
 - e) from 0.05 to 1% alkali metal halide, wherein the weight ratio of the alkyl trimethylammonium salt to the dialkoylethyl dimethylammonium salt is from 15:1 to 2:1.
2. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the fatty material is a monohydric primary alcohol with an alkyl chain selected from C₁₆ to C₁₈ saturated chains and mixtures thereof.
3. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the alkali metal halide is potassium chloride.
4. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the alkyl trimethylammonium salt has an anion selected

from the group consisting of halides, methosulphate and mixtures thereof.

5. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the dialkoylethyl dimethylammonium salt has an anion selected from the group consisting of halides, methosulphate and mixtures thereof.
10. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the alkyl trimethylammonium salt is cetyl trimethylammonium chloride.
15. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the dialkoylethyl dimethylammonium salt is dipalmitoylethyl dimethylammonium chloride.
20. A composition according to any preceding claim wherein the weight ratio of the alkyl trimethylammonium salt to the dialkoylethyl dimethylammonium salt is from 8:1 to 4:1
25. 10. A composition according to claim 9 wherein the hydrophobic conditioning oil is a silicone oil.
30. 11. A method of preparing an opacified hair conditioning composition by using a composition according to any preceding claim.

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12. A method of treating the hair comprising the steps of;

- i) applying to the hair a composition according to any of claims 1 to 10,
- ii) rinsing the hair with water, and
- 5 iii) drying the hair.